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July 28, 2000

Jay Mealey Crown Asphalt Corporation 215 South State, Suite 650 Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Lonnie Hogan Uintah County Road Dept. P.O. Box 291 Vernal, Utah 84078

Re:

Extension to Provide Updated Information, Crown Asphalt Corporation, Asphalt Ridge Oil Sands Mine, M/047/032, and Uintah County, Uintah County Asphalt Mine, M/047/022, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Mealey and Mr. Hogan:

On July 19, 2000, the Division received Crown's letter and copy of the proposed agreement between Crown and Uintah County. The letter requests an extension of an additional 60 days to provide the information to update the large mine notice as requested in our May 19, 2000 letter (copy enclosed). Our original letter requested the updated information from both Crown and Uintah County within 60 days of receipt of the letter with the hopes that both operators would jointly work on a response. The reason for Crown's inability to provide information within the time frame requested is that Crown is completing a pilot study.

The Division will grant Crown and Uintah County an additional 45 days to provide the requested information. The updated information should be received by the Division by the close of business on September 11, 2000. While the Division is sensitive to the complications associated with providing updated information for this site, our initial request for updated maps, operation descriptions and reclamation plans was made during our November 24, 1998 meeting. We believe we have been more than accommodating to allow this period of time to pass without receipt of the additional information, and additional extension requests will most likely be denied.

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Cooperation between Uintah County and Crown to jointly respond to this update request is encouraged by the Division. If you have any questions regarding this letter please do not hesitate to contact me at (801) 538-5286, or Tony Gallegos at (801) 538-5267. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure: May 19, 2000 letter

Lonnie Hogan, Uintah County Road Dept. w/encl

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